GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2540
ANSWERED ON:18.03.2008
CBI INQUIRY ON GUJARAT VIOLENCE
Owaisi Shri Asaduddin

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Hon. Supreme Court, in its recent ruling has stated that there is no objection in inquiring into the Gujarat violence cases outside the State as well as by the CBI;

(b) if so, whether the Government has ordered the CBI to investigate the Gujarat riot cases afresh;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any time schedule has been given to CBI to complete the probe; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a): So far as this Ministry is concerned, no such order has been conveyed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in recent time. However, the National Human Rights Commission has filed Writ Petition (Crl) No. 109 of 2003 in the Supreme Court of India against State of Gujarat & Ors. making the plea that the critical cases relating to Gujarat riots of 2002 be entrusted to the CBI. The NHRC has also filed Transfer Petition (Criminal) Nos. 194-202 of 2003 in the Supreme Court of India against the State of Gujarat & Ors. seeking the transfer of certain critical cases to a court outside the State of Gujarat. The matter is subjudice.

(b) to (e): Does not arise.